1	2	3	4	5	6	7
20.	Nagaland	38.06	23.49	23.04	24.98	18.53
21.	Orissa	435.00	420.00	102.30	0.00	120.00
22.	Punjab	61.56	61.56	107.56	134.13	1044.60
23.	Rajasthan	849.56	633.22	1251.94	1412.64	2360.76
24.	Sikkim	10.68	2.09	1.20	1.20	1.09
25.	Tamil Nadu	350.00	360.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
26.	Tripura	21.60	17.16	15.36	15.36	13.70
27.	Uttar Pradesh	1319.04	1529.44	1798.58	2032.49	5085.92
28.	Uttaranchal	-	-	16.96	57.55	231.82
29.	West Bengal	1047.35	1061.10	1354.90	1254.30	2616.50
30.	A & N Islands	7.50	9.00	9.84	10.16	6.48
31.	Chandigarh	21.60	21.60	15.48	16.97	45.46
32.	D & N Haveli	3.00	3.00	1.35	1.59	1.75
33.	Daman & Diu	2.40	2.40	0.75	0.87	1.46
34.	Lakshadweep	0.25	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.29
35.	Pondicherry	9.00	9.00	6.24	0.24	2.55
	TOTAL:	9919.66	10175.35	11367.96	12931.78	23194.56

Purchase of foodgrains by FCI

2245. SHRI N.R. DASARI: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of paddy or rice purchased by the Food Corporation of India (FCI) during the years 1997-98, 1998-99, 1999-2000, 2000-2001 and the period from April to September, 2002, State-wise;

(b) whether any State Government has agreed to take up the responsibility of procurement of paddy and wheat; and

(c) the assistance given by Government to such States to procure paddy and wheat?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI U.V. KRISHNAM RAJU): (a) Yes, Sir. A Statement showing State-wise quantity of levy rice and paddy procured by the FCI from Kharif Marketing Season 1997-98 to 2001-02 is enclosed (*See* below).

(b) and (c) The present policy of MSP and procurement of FAQ standard of foodgrains is being implemented with the help of the State Governments uniformly in all States, which have potential for procurement. This policy has been successful in meeting the purpose of ensuring MSP to the farmers.

With a view to effecting savings in the form of reduction in the outgo of food subsidy, enhancing the efficiency of procurement and PDS and encouraging local procurement to the maximum extent thereby extending the benefits of MSP to local farmers, the scheme of Decentralized Procurement of Foodgrains was introduced by the Government in 1997-98. The scheme is now in operation in the States of West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Tamil Nadu and Uttaranchal. The Union Government has been encouraging States to adopt the scheme of Decentralized Procurement of Foodgrains.

The difference between the economic cost of the State Government and the Central Issue Prices is passed on to the State Government as subsidy.

Statement

State-Wise Procurement of Levy Rice and Paddy by FCI from 1997-1998 TO 2001-2002

(Rice and Paddy—Oct. to Sep.)

(Figures in '000 tonnes)

State/	1997-1998			1998-1999			1999-2000			2000-2001			2001-2002		
STATE/ UT	Levy rice	Paddy	Total in terms of Rice	Levy rice	Paddy	Total in terms of Rice	Levy rice	Paddy	Total in terms of Rice	Levy rice	Paddy	Total in terms of Rice	Levy rice	Paddy	Total in terms of Rice
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Andhra Pradesh	3855	Neg.	3855	5108	16	5119	5498	—	5498	6886	56	6923	6222	74	6272
Bihar	6	25	23	—	—	—	19	1	20	—	12	8	—	15	10
Chandigarh	11	—	11	—	8	5	3	17	15	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chhatisgarh	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	506	—	506	658	—	658
Delhi	—	Neg.	Neg.	—	Neg.	Neg.	6	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Haryana	1161	84	1217	223	48	255	754	81	808	568	158	674	429	195	559
Himachal Pradesh	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	11	Neg.	12
Karnataka	92	—	92	100	—	100	111	—	—	229	—	229	137	—	137
Madhya Pradesh	623	—	623	272	—	272	791	—	—	96	—	96	95	37	121
Maharashtra	32	—	32	5	Neg.	5	51	Neg.	51	13	—	13	30	—	30
Orissa	684	—	684	481	—	481	889	—	889	918	—	918	1253	—	1253
Pondicherry	8	—	8	8	—	8	9	—	9	40	—	40	11	—	11
Punjab	1329	2911	3279	414	2389	2014	1274	2416	2892	1182	2783	3047	961	2387	2561
Rajasthan	2	6	6	3	Nwg.	3	16	24	32	5	31	26	28	17	39
Uttar Pradesh	1065	1	1065	—	Neg.	Nwg.	—	Neg.	Neg.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Uttaranchal	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	209	—	209
Total:	8865	3027	10893	6614	2463	8264	9421	2540	11123	10444	3065	12498	10046	2725	11871

Neg.—Below 500 tonnes